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FM AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7677
INFO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA
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SUBJ: BPR OCCUPIES SWISS EMBASSY

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1. EARLY AFTERNOON APRIL 13, CR/FECCAS/UTC GROUPS ADDED SWISS EMBASSY TO THREE OTHERS (VENEZUELA, COSTA RICA, PANAMA) CURRENTLY UNDER SO-CALLED PEACEFUL OCCUPATION. OCCUPATION OF SWISS EMBASSY BY BPR GROUP PARTICULARLY EMBARRASSING TO GOES SINCE BPR HAD ANNOUNCED ON APRIL 11 THAT IT WOULD BE ONE OF FIVE EMBASSIES OCCUPIED (MEXICAN ONLY REMAINING DESIGNATED TARGET) AND GOES HAD PLACED THREE ARMED GUARDS AT ALL EMBASSIES AND AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCES EVENING OF APRIL 12. BPR MEMBERS APPARENTLY ENTERED SWISS EMBASSY ONE OR TWO AT A TIME AND WHEN 15 TO 20 PRESENT, ANNOUNCED OCCUPATION IN EFFECT. CHARGE AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF REPORTEDLY IN EMBASSY. OCCUPATION ALONG SAME
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LINES AS PREVIOUS THREE WITH NO VIOLENCE REPORTED AND REASON FOR ACTION GIVEN AS ATTEMPTED PRESSURE ON GOES TO RESOLVE PROBLEMS IN RURAL AREAS.

. COMMENT. ACTIONS OF RECENT WEEKS OF OPEN CONFRONTATIONS IN COUNTRYSIDE, KIDNAPPING OF PROMINENT CITIZEN ACROSS STREET FROM

US EMBASSY (APRIL 6 AT 7:30 PM), OPEN AND PUBLICIZED
CRITICISMS OF GOES BY CHURCH AND OPPOSITION POLITICAL PARTIES
COMBINED WITH OCCUPATION OF FOUR EMBASSIES AND NATIONAL CATHEDRAL
WOULD APPEAR TO REQUIRE SOME FURTHER RESPONSE FROM GOES.
LATEST OCCUPATION, WHICH WAS ACCOMPLISHED AFTER PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT
OF INTENTION TO DO SO AND WITH GOES SECURITY FORCES PRESENT,
IS OPEN DEFIANCE OF SECURITY FORCES AND COULD LEAD TO OR PRE-
CIPITATE UNPREDICTABLE AND PERHAPS VIOLENT RETALIATORY ACTION
ON PART OF GOES.
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